

MINUTES ^{OF} THE *TOMBIGBEE*
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

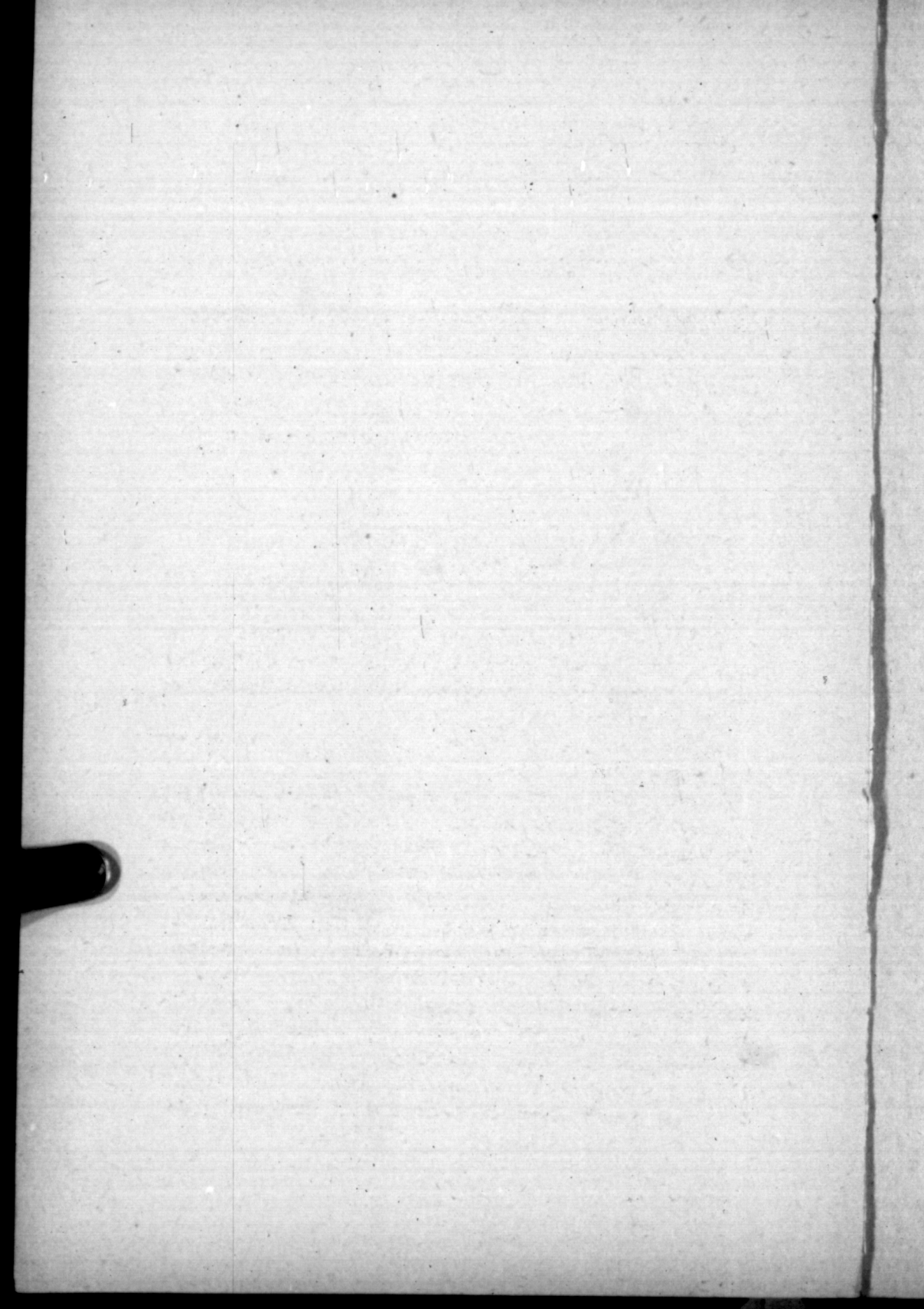
HELD WITH HIGHLAND CHURCH,
HIGHLAND, TISHOMINGO COUNTY,
MISS., OCT. 15, 16, 17 AND 18, 1904.

NEXT MEETING

NEW HOME CHURCH, TEN MILES
EAST OF FULTON, MISS., SATURDAY
BEFORE 3rd SUNDAY IN OCT. 1905.

INTRODUCTORY PREACHER, - N. T. CLAYTON
MISSION PREACHER, - - - J. F. BENSON

Wm. M. CHAFFIN, Moderator, - - YALE, MISS.
F. M. BLUNT, Secretary and Treasurer, HIGHLAND, MISS.



Proceedings of the Tombigbee Missionary Baptist Association,

*Which Met in its Twenty-first Annual Session With
the Highland Church, at Highland, Mississippi,
On Saturday, the Fifteenth Day of October, 1904.*

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Eld. J. F. Benson—
John 17. Theme: A Oneness in Christ.

Prayer by Eld. J. S. Stockton, afterwhich a recess was taken for
refreshments.

Met at 1:30. The moderator read Romans, 8th chapter. Prayer
by Eld. J. T. Robinson. Eld. J. S. Stockton, pastor of Highland
church, made a short address on welcome to the delegates and
visiting brethren.

Reading clerks appointed follows: Bros. Wm. H. Brown and
J. T. Bolding.

Finance committee: T. J. Johnson, J. C. Long and Thos. Burch.

Letters read from the churches as follows: Union—W. A.
Leatherwood, E. L. Cain, R. S. Mauldin and Wm. M. Toland.
Bethlehem—W. D. Page, W. P. Gray, J. A. Rast. Pleasant
Grove—Represented by letter. Union Grove—Represented by
letter. Providence—Henry Moxley. Jackson Camp—M. C. Hill,
J. L. Trimm, J. D. Long. Bethany—Wm. M. Chaffin, J. F. Benson.
Ebenezer—Geo. W. Yarber, D. A. Selby, T. G. Hughes and J. S.
Stockton. Bethel—W. H. Halcomb, J. M. Harrison. Antioch—
W. A. Butler, A. R. Kent. Fairview—J. L. Graham, W. H. Bark-
ley. Prospect—J. C. Long, L. M. Taylor, J. R. Mann and C. M.
Long. Highland—W. T. Deaton, J. E. Gurley, J. R. Bickerstaff.
New Home—G. W. Guntharp, T. Burch, F. M. Carpenter. Salem

the supervision of the Baptists of Mississippi, deserves the support of all the Baptists in the state. For information regarding the management of the Home we recommend "The Gem," a paper published in the interest of the orphans, price 25 cents annually.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. BENSON, Chairman.

Report discussed by J. F. Benson, W. H. Brown and J. S. Stockton. The latter calling on the brethren for a contribution and \$5.50 was obtained.

Adopted.

On motion preaching service was dispensed with at the 11 o'clock hour, Eld. J. M. Harrison, the appointee, being absent.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee on temperance, believe that we, as a christian people, should be temperate in all things, but especially should we discard the use of intoxicating drinks. Our laws prohibit the sale of any intoxicants and we as christians should aid the officers of the law in bringing all violators of the same to justice.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. PAGE, Chairman.

Discussed by Bros. Page, Johnson and Benson.

Adopted.

On motion adjourned for dinner to meet at 1 o'clock.

MONDAY EVENING.

Met at 1 o'clock. According to previous motion the reports on Missions were read and adopted in the following order:

Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Associational Missions.

Discussed by J. S. Stockton, J. F. Benson, J. T. Robinson, C. A. Gilbert, W. H. Brown and M. I. Elledge.

On call for the question the reports were taken up, read and voted on separately, and each adopted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to make the following report :

We recommend to this body the Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Va. That what foreign mission work we do, we do through said board. We believe that it is wrong for us to try to set aside the old land marks that were established by our fathers.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. STOCKTON, Ch'm, }
H. T. MOXLEY, } Com.
THOS. BURCH, }

HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following report : We believe it to be our duty to look well to our own home board, as one of our first duties, and we recommend therefore that we all stand by our Home Board and aid them in the work of the Master.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. BENSON, Chairman.

STATE MISSIONS.

We, your committee on State Missions, submit the following report :

We believe the gospel should be preached to every creature, and as our state convention is trying to supply the destitution of our state, we recommend that this Association co-operate with them in the good work, that the Lord's banner may be highly exalted among us.

Submitted,

J. T. ROBINSON, Chairman.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

We, your committee on Associational Missions, report as follows:

We believe the gospel should be preached to every creature, and that the church of the Lord Jesus Christ is the only power authorized to send the gospel. Therefore we recommend that the churches composing this association send the gospel where it is

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Minute Fund.....	\$18 90	For Printing Minutes.....	\$11 50
Home Missions.....	1 00	Clerk's Fee and Postage.	7 40
State Missions.....	1 25	Home Missions.....	1 00
Foreign Missions.....	3 40	State Missions.....	1 25
Associational Missions...	5 80	Foreign Missions.....	3 40
Orphan's Home.....	12 70	Orphan's Home.....	12 70
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			\$37 25
Associational Missions on hand.....			5 80
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			\$43 45

Submitted.

F. M. BLUNT, Treasurer.

MISSIONARY REPORT.

To the Tombigbee Missionary Baptist Association, Greetings :—
 Beloved and faithful body I shall not attempt to enter a lengthy detailed report. My labors in your bounds has been doctrinal altogether, and if the blessed Lord has received honors, to Him be the glory. If a great many or a few have been saved I give to the faithful pastors all the instrumental glory. My collections have been taken at large gatherings in which some times the members of a half dozen churches have contributed making it absolutely impossible to give a detailed and named report. For all purposes I have collected \$412.55, Eld. J. A. Scarboro received \$82.20, Eld. J. N. Hall received \$58.50, Eld. C. A. Gilbert received \$8.75 of this amount, leaving in my hands \$263.10.

My earnest prayers and labors, under fires of dark persecutions, was to clear the field of the poisonous banes of Campbellism, Methodism and kindred heresies and to aid pastors and churches maintain a faithful Baptist order of things, and I glory in reporting that all over the field these heresies have been crushed or crippled with the exception of Union Grove where Campbellism coerced obedience by violence and even unlawful methods in some instances. I have never known a nobler band of pastors nor churches, and a more kindly and Godly people than the Baptists in

the Tombigbee Association and I pray God to direct you well next year and all time. Respectfully submitted.

W. M. HICKS, Missionary.

Read by Clerk. Adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday Schools report as follows : That we advise each church to organize a Sabbath School, and as to Literature we would recommend, first the Bible, and at least one Bible class in every school and any other aids may be used that teach sound bible doctrine. Respectfully submitted.

J. C. LONG,

J. R. BICKERSTAFF.

Report spoken to by Bros. Stockton, Rouse and Wright. Adopted.

On motion the moderator appointed a second committee on Baptist Literature, the first having gone home leaving no report. Bros. W. H. Brown, J. T. Robinson and J. R. Bickerstaff, Committee.

DESTITUTION.

We your committee beg leave to report that great good has been accomplished in our effort to supply the destitution within our bounds, yet we believe that greater efforts should be made than ever before, realizing that the combined influence of all other sects are fast suppressing the liberties for which we, as Baptists, have ever contended. Therefore we recommend that the churches look well to the destitution within our bounds and supply them as rapidly as possible. Respectfully submitted.

J. C. LONG,

T. J. JOHNSON.

BAPTIST LITERATURE.

We your committee on Baptist Literature recommend to all Baptists the reading of Baptist literature. The Baptist, published at Jackson, Miss., or some other good Baptist paper should be in every home. We recommend the publications of the Southern

Baptist Convention and of the American Baptist Publication Society as sound literature. Respectfully submitted.

W. N. BROWN,
J. T. ROBINSON,
J. R. BICKERSTAFF.

RESOLUTIONS.

FIRST.—Resolved, That this Association advise every church in its bounds to elect or appoint one of its male members as a member of the Associational Board, to meet with the chairman appointed by the moderator of the Association to meet at a place the chairman may appoint and transact the Missionary business of the churches of this Association. Adopted.

T. J. Johnson was appointed chairman, and called a meeting at Salem church on Saturday before the Fourth Sunday in December, 1904.

SECOND.—RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS. Resolved, That this body tender their heartfelt thanks to the brethren and sisters of Highland and vicinity for their kindness and hospitality shown us during our stay among them.

J. C. LONG.

On motion the moderator, Wm. M. Chaffin, was appointed to take up funds to erect a monument to the memory of our brother Eld. W. W. Gilbert.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet at New Home church on Saturday before the Third Sunday in October, 1905.

A hymn was sung and the parting hand given, thus ending a very important and instructive meeting of this body.

F. M. BLUNT,
CLERK.

WM. M. CHAFFIN,
MODERATOR.

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ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. H. Hamilton.....	Lunch, Miss.
Joe Farris.....	Cliff, Miss.
J. T. Robinson.....	Raburnville, Miss.
J. S. Stockton.....	Belmont, Miss.
J. F. Benson.....	Fulton, Miss.
J. A. Love.....	Yale, Miss.
J. T. Harmon.....	Fulton, Miss.
D. A. Mattox.....	Morganton, Miss.
J. M. Harrison.....	Dennis, Miss.
W. D. Page.....	R. F. D. No. 1, Iuka, Miss.
L. M. Taylor.....	Mann, Miss.
W. J. Clingan.....	Mann, Miss.
N. T. Clayton.....	R. F. D. No. 1, Fulton, Miss.

LICENTIATES.

J. B. Carr.....	Dennis, Miss.
W. D. Page.....	Burnt Mills, Miss.
G. W. Guntharp.....	Clay, Miss.

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FIRST DISTRICT

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SECOND DISTRICT

Salmon	L. M. Taylor	H. S. Williams	2	77	1.10	1.25	1.25	15.00
Prospect	J. M. Harrison	D. B. Bretnell	1	70	1.05			7.50
Antioch	W. H. Harrison	Wm. Mayhall	1	66	1.20			16.75
Union	J. S. Elledge	L. A. Cain	4	21	1.00			10.00
Highland	J. S. Stockton	C. C. Shook	2	42	1.05	6.00		40.00
Red Bud	J. M. Harrison	J. R. Bickertall	1	53	1.00			
Bethel	J. M. Harrison	W. B. Waddle	4	60	1.00			12.00
Stibbion	W. H. Harrison	H. D. Pate	2	60	1.00			
Bethlehem	J. T. Page	J. T. Howell	1	138	1.80			
Eastman	J. T. Page	J. T. Howell	2	18	.80			
Mississippi	Tuka	Eastman	2	138	1.00			
Golden	Emma	Golden	1	60	1.00			
Highland	Belmont	Highland	2	50	1.00	6.00		40.00
Dennis	Dennis	Dennis	1	63	1.05			10.00
Hodges	Hodges	Hodges	1	66	1.20			16.75
Burnt Mills	Burnt Mills	Burnt Mills	1	70	1.05			7.50
Mann	Mann	Mann	2	77	1.10	1.25	1.25	15.00
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